

CHAPTER 4 SECTION 2.3

CHEST X-RAYS

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I. PROCEDURE CODE RANGE

71010 - 71035

II. POLICY

Chest x-rays are not payable for the following:

- A. Routine prenatal chest x-rays for the detection of unsuspected disease.
- B. Routine chest x-rays solely because of hospital admission, unless a patient is admitted for a surgical procedure which involves general anesthesia.
- C. Routine chest x-rays for employment.
- D. Repeated chest x-rays upon long-term facility admission.
- E. Repeated chest x-rays of tuberculosis reactors, repeated chest x-rays of asymptomatic tuberculosis patients who have completed therapy and routine periodic chest x-rays during tuberculosis treatment.
- F. Routine preplacement chest x-rays and periodic chest x-rays unrelated to job exposure.

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